

REMARKS

All pending claims, claims 1-3, 12, 14 and 36-45 have been allowed, in substance, in this reissue application. The formal matters identified by the Examiner in the Final Office action are addressed below.

Ownership Interest

Attached herewith is a completed Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) [see attachment PTO/SB/96] including the proper chain of title to the current assignee. Also, as requested, attached herewith is a completed Consent of Assignee form [see attachment PTO/SB/53]. The Examiner is invited to call the Applicant's representative if further information is required.

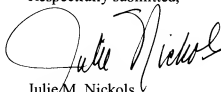
Oath/ Declaration

Attached herewith is a copy of the supplemental declaration signed by co-inventor Alex Kunzler. Also attached herewith is a copy of the concurrently filed Petition Under 37 CFR §1.183 for Waiver of Signature Requirement For Nonsigning Inventor of Supplemental Declaration which requests the Commissioner to waive the requirement of a supplemental declaration signature from Dr. Vincent Bryan who, after diligent effort, cannot be reached to obtain a signature.

Conclusion

The formalities identified in the Final Office Action have been addressed above. Because all of the pending claims in this Application have been indicated as allowed, a notice of allowance is respectfully requested upon the granting of the above referenced petition. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below listed telephone number, if needed.

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